

# NOTICE OF INTENT

## Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

### Technical College System Refund Policy (LAC 28:I.1523)

In accordance with R.S. 49:950, et. seq., the Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given that the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education approved for advertisement, an amendment to the refund policy for the Louisiana technical colleges as stated below. This is an amendment to LAC 28:I.1523.

#### **Title 28**

#### **EDUCATION**

#### **Part I. Board of Elementary and Secondary Education**

#### **Chapter 15. Vocational and Vocational-Technical Education**

#### **§1523. Students**

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#### **E. Fees for Louisiana Residents**

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#### **3. Tuition and Fees**

a. Enrollment or re-enrollment payments or acceptable evidence of indebtedness, shall be due upon registration or re-enrollment, as part of the enrollment process.

#### **4. State Refund Policy for the Technical College System**

- a. A 100 percent refund of tuition and fees will only be made when classes are closed or canceled.
- b. A 75 percent refund of tuition and fees will be made to students withdrawing during the first five instructional days of the term.
- c. A 50 percent refund of tuition and fees will be made to students withdrawing during the sixth to tenth instructional days of the term.
- d. No refund shall be made after the tenth instructional day of the term.
- e. No refund shall be made for evening extension classes.

**NOTE:** In accordance with Title IV of the higher education amendments, refunds of tuition and fees for pell grant recipients shall be made to the Pell Grant Program and not to the student.

**AUTHORITY NOTE:** Promulgated in accordance with R. S. 17:6(a), (10) (11); R. S. 17:1997.

**HISTORICAL NOTE:** Amended by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, LR 22:

Interested persons may submit comments on the proposed amendment until 4:30 p.m., April 10, 1996 to: Eileen Bickham, State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, Box 94064, Capitol Station, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9064.

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### **FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RULE TITLE: Technical College System Refund Policy**

#### **I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)**

It is estimated that the statewide costs for printing the new policy will be approximately \$75. Approximately 30 minutes to one hour of staff time will be required to process the necessary paper work associated with issuing a refund. At this time, it is impossible to predict how many students will be involved in refunds.

#### **II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)**

We project that there will be very little decrease in revenues because it will impact only students who withdraw during the first two weeks of each term. At this time, we have no way of projecting exactly how many students this policy will effect. If any revenues are decreased, it will be self-generated funds and not state general funds.

#### **III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)**

It is estimated that there will be a small economic benefit to non-Title IV students who are forced to withdraw from school within the first two weeks of a term. These students will receive a partial refund of their tuition.

#### **IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)**

There should be no impact on competition or on employment.

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